

# Quality Trust Annual Report October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020

Quality Trust is staffed with a team of passionate, disability advocates with over 200-years' experience combined. This is not just our job – it is who we are! It's been seven months since we began dealing with the COVID-19 virus. Last March 13, two days after our annual Better Together Reception, we received the order from the District of Columbia to move to remote work due to the pandemic. We continued our work in support of people with developmental disabilities and their families throughout the region without any significant disruption. Our virtual outreach became fully operational and our staff worked harder than ever to stay connected with the people who depend on Quality Trust for support. Providing that support required us to be extra vigilant and alert to the new patterns of life people experienced during the health emergency. Although challenging, our role has never been more important!

At Quality Trust we are often asked to be advocates with people to address the many barriers that they still sometimes face in accessing the communities in which they live. In this virtual world, that means making sure that people with disabilities (and their families) have access to the technology they need to stay connected with each other and join in the meetings that are happening online. It's just one of the many ways we contributed to making our community more welcoming for the people we support.

**Outreach:** Quality Trust's community outreach team of 5 professionals ensure people within our community can learn about and access the resources, information, and expertise at Quality Trust. We partner with local advocacy organizations, government agencies and other community stakeholders to provide educational and resource materials with people. Some of our activities this past year include:

- Provided over 40 educational parent sessions reaching over 430 families
- Provided outreach and advocacy supports to 60 LAC families
- Participated in over 35 community and resource events

**Monitoring and Advocacy:** Quality Trust's monitoring and advocacy work is staff by a team of 8 dedicated professional advocates with many years of direct experience supporting people with developmental disabilities to live good lives. A significant number of monitoring reviews were completed by the middle of March 2020 when the novel coronavirus completely changed the trajectory of everything. In April and May of 2020, the COVID-19 virus raged, causing extensive damage in congregate living models of more than three people. Day programs were forced to close, and people stayed at home as all

other citizens in the city. Quality Trust modified its monitoring protocol to focus on understanding how effectively the needs of people with disabilities were being met in different settings, and to continue the regular monitoring process through remote methods. Some highlights of our work this year include:

- Provided advocacy for 90 people with outcomes that included residential moves, improved healthcare, change of day programs and help with benefits
- Received and reviewed 1120 Incidents
- Made 67 follow up visits to people related to concerns or changes in care circumstances

**Legal Services:** Quality Trust's Legal team of three provide high-quality legal advice for people with disabilities and their families and mastered during so virtually this year. QT attorneys participate in QT's outreach and education activities and are available for individual consultation on specific legal concerns. They have developed specific expertise in guardianship and decision-making that they use for helping individuals and families as well as shaping policy and practice in DC. Some of the highlights include:

- Provided legal services in over 480 matters affecting DC residents with disabilities
- Conducted over 17 trainings in DC on issues involving guardianship and alternatives to over 250 attendees, under our DCBF-funded JHJP project
- Participated in the DDS Mortality Review Committee and reviewed over 42 investigations

**#ProjectPeerToo:** Quality Trust has continued our work virtually on the #ProjectPeerToo project with our partners, DC Rape Crisis Center, Project ACTION!, and the DC Department of Disability Services (DDS), that includes the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) and the Office of Quality Assurance and Performance Management (QAPMA). We met regularly via Zoom and supported our self-advocates to get IPads, training and ongoing support to participate in our regular meetings, as their non-participation is not an option.

**Family Ties of DC:** Quality Trust continued our work in the second year of the Family Ties of DC program. We made 11 successful parent matches, held monthly parent chats, convened "Hot Topics" webinar series for parents and were available to support parents who were experiencing challenges related to COVID-19. We made referrals for parents and recruited additional support parents to participate in the program.

**Financials:** Quality Trust was established in 2001 during class action litigation that provided an initial endowment payment, most of our annual funding is provided by the interest from this investment fund. Since 2014, we have been steadily decreasing the reliance on our investments through grants, contract work and engaging corporate and individual donors as funding partners. Our investment fund remains strong and our fundraising efforts continue to increase annually.

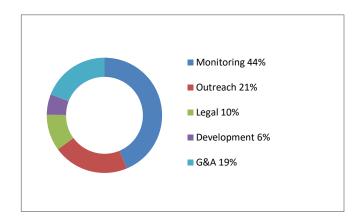
## QUALITY TRUST FINANCIAL SUMMARY OCTOBER 1, 2019 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

	SSETS		
	September 30, 2020		
Cash		\$1,299,465	
Pledges Receivable		0	
Accounts Receivable		161,415	
Accrued Interest and Dividends		2,663	
Prepaid Expenses		13,153	
Other current assets		0	
	Total current assets	\$1,476,696	
Property and Equipment:			
Equipment		19,232	
Furniture		19,199	
Computer equipment		87,886	
Leasehold improvements		207,143	
•		\$333,460	
Less accumulated depreciat	ion	-217,128	
	Net fixed assets	\$116.332	
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Other Assets:			
Investments		15,956,947	
Pledge receivable - lo	ong term	0	
Deposits		16,756	
•	Total other assets	\$15,973,703	
Total Assets:		\$17,566,731	
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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Current Liabilities:			
Accounts payable an	d accrued liabilities	\$126,043	
Accrued salaries and		151,984	
Deferred revenue		6,898	
Refundable advances		25,526	
Deferred revenue		19,420	
Loan payable		263,682	
	Total current liabilities	\$593,553	
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Long-Term Liabilities:			
Deferred rent		68,226	
Deferred tenant allow	10000	,	
	ance	69,588	
Loan payable	Total laws tawn liabilitian	176,072	
	Total long-term liabilities	\$313,886	
Total Liabilities:		\$907,439	
Net Assets:			
Unrestricted		16,594,780	
	vd.	64,512	
Temporarily Restricte	Total net assets	\$16,659,292	
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets:		\$17,566,731	

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Twelve months ended September 31, 2020

Revenues: Contributions & Grants	\$375,101
Interest and Dividends	1,253,205
Rent Reimbursement	1,255,205
Other revenue	0
	103,746
Total Revenue:	\$1,732,052
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Expenses:	
Personnel compensation & benefits	\$1,901,234
Occupancy	170,953
Consulting fees	165,803
Operating expenses	240,576
Total Expenses:	\$2,478,566
Change in net assets:	-\$735,928
Net Assets at Beginning of Period	\$17,395,220
Net Assets at September 30, 2016	\$16,659,292



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# **Quality Trust Fiscal Year**

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